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SHERIF R. KODSY

CLAIMANT / APPELLANT

Vs.

11 Civ. 4180 (NRB)

GENERAL MOTORS CORP., ET AL.,

**DEBTORS / APPELLEES'.** 

Re: MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., 09-50026 (REG)

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## APPELLANT'S RESPONSE TO APPELLEES' ANSWER

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Hereby, Appellant/Plaintiff, Sherif Kodsy, the Creditor herein, as Kodsy, objects to the Debtors / Appellee's preliminary statement, stating that "Appellant failed to produce any evidence indicating a security interest in, or lien on, property of Motors Liquidation Company, or any of its Debtor affiliates (collectively, the "Debtors"), Appellee's herein."

#### SUMMARY OF THE ARGUMENT

Kodsy, filed a claim, a **lien** against the debtors property in this chapter 11, proceeding, for fraud, personal injury, conspiracy, gross negligence, strict liability and punitive damages.

Appellant's claim relates to the fraudulent inducement to purchase a Hummer H2, from appellees, under false and conspired upon misrepresentations, where the subject vehicle was previously a "Show Truck" with inherent non-conformity defects not warned and no disclosures of prior use was disclosed, which caused injury(ies) after prolonged daily use, where the debtors, conspired to further misrepresent the repairs, which Kodsy, had relied upon their misrepresentations and almost died from the nonconformities that could not be repaired after relinquishment of their product from the manufacturer.

Appellees, are very aware of those facts and continuously deny an

obligation and liability for their actions, which further had caused economic and non economic losses to Kodsy, and his livelihood was thrashed as a result of reliance on their product to earn a living as a Specialty Contractor.

The debtor's failure to take responsibility for their product was intentional through conspired fraud, negligence and their malicious conduct demonstrated a careless disregard to human safety for their defective product, in over a three year span, before & during this Bankruptcy proceeding.

#### **ARGUMENT**

# THE BANKRUPTCY COURT ERRED IN RECLASSIFYING THE KODSY CLAIM

Appellees, are referring to <u>section 506(a)(1)</u>, where it clearly states that a secured claim of a creditor secured by a lien on property in which the estate has an interest, or that is subject to setoff under section 553... to the extent of the value of such creditor's interest in the estate's interest in such property.

The doctrine of **Ejusdem Generis** is "actually an application of the broader maxim 'noscitur a sociis' which means that general and specific words capable of analogous meaning when associated together take color from each other so that the general words are restricted to a sense analogous to the specific words."

Similarly herein, the words in the rule are broadly defining a general property owned by the debtor's, not a specific analogy of a property, but property and assets in general, describing "property of the debtors' estates", in a bankruptcy liquidation proceeding.

Successor liability analysis involves consideration of "three principal factors": (1) continuity in operations and work force; (2) notice to the successor of its predecessor's legal obligation; and (3) inability of the predecessor to provide adequate relief directly. *Criswell v. Delta Air Lines*, *Inc.*, 868 F.2d 1093, 1094 (9th Cir.), cert. denied, 489 U.S. 1066 (1989); see also EEOC v. G-K-G, Inc., 39 F.3d 740, 747-48 (7th Cir. 1994). These factors are all present in the case at bar, suggesting that successor liability will exist in the new company.

Here, the language of <u>Section 506</u> read in conjunction with other provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, is clear. It establishes that "interests in property" are liens, mortgages, money judgments, writs of garnishment and attachment, and the like, and cannot encompass unliquidated successor liability claims.

See <u>Folger Adam Sec., Inc. v. DeMatteis/MacGregor, JV</u>, 209 F.3d

252, 258, 259-60 (3d Cir. 2000) (stating that "[u]nder the rule of ejusdem generis, the term 'other interest' would ordinarily be limited to interests of

the same kind as those enumerated, i.e., 'liens, mortgages, security interests, encumbrances, liabilities, [and] claims"'; that "[m]ortgages, security interests, encumbrances and liabilities possess characteristics similar to a lien"; and that "[a] lien is distinct from the obligation it secures ...").

Supporting this conclusion, the Code's definitions suggest that "liens" and "interests in property" are interchangeable, as a "lien" is defined to mean a "charge against or interest in property to secure payment of a debt or performance of an obligation." 11 U.S.C. § 101(37) (emphasis added). See also, In re Schwinn Bicycle Co., 210 B.R. 747, 761 (Bankr. N.D. III. 1997), aff'd, 217 B.R. 790 (N.D. III. 1997); In re Fairchild Aircraft Corp., 184 B.R. 910, 917-19 (Bankr. W.D. Tex. 1995), vacated on other grounds, 220 B.R. 909 (Bankr. W.D. Tex. 1998).

The law did not specifically state in <u>subsection 506</u> that secured claims are for a structure or mortgage, hence it talks about a secured claim based on the estate's property in general, which could be collateral assets from its property or diverse assets, which are recognized as the estate's property in a title 11 proceeding..

The rule is broad in its construction to include the estate's property as a whole.

Simply said if a property was radio active and caused death or injury,

then the claim/lien could exceed the cost of the contaminated worthless property, which a deferral would have to be applied to cover the difference, from the estate's property, hence it would be safe to say that a previous contaminated property that was sold for \$10.00. was the cause for the \$15 million secured claim, which could not be secured by the actual property itself yet it becomes a secured claim on the estate's general property and assets it owns.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Bankruptcy court judge abused his discretion by reversing the "Kodsy", secured claim to unsecured, where the Honorable judge had instructed Kodsy, "The time to appeal this determination, mr. Kodsy, is going to run from the time that the court dockets the underlying order not from the date of today's explanation and ruling". PG. 57, lines 3-6.

This appeal was timely filed.

The appellees', alleged wealth is evidence of their bad faith, where they could have easily replaced the defective vehicle or provided a refund and immediate relief, instead they conspired and discriminated against Kodsy, through prejudice and confusion to avoid an obligation and liability, where if they were allowed to continue in the business of manufacturing and selling cars, they would also certainly continue to defraud and conspire against its

helpless consumers to defraud them out of their designated equity without an obligation from a Biomechanical defect or concern, which causes unwarned injuries and in some cases unexplained deaths.

Appellant's reliance on the Bankruptcy code <u>523(a)(6)</u>, is not misguided as alleged by the debtors', infact it provides an exception for the willful and malicious injury by the debtor to another.

The Kodsy claim is against Motors Liquidation Company, (Remediation and Liability Management Company, inc.), see attached, Claim of lien against "DEBTORS", proof of claim # 69683.

Wherefore appellant requests from this Honorable court to recognize the merits of the Kodsy claim, where there is no need for another court to decide if Kodsy, is entitled to a secured status, for the liability and obligation lien placed on the debtors' property by a claim in this proceeding.

Wherefore Kodsy, respectfully requests that the Kodsy claim be a secured claim, **herein**, where the debtors' do not refute the allegations of misrepresentation and malicious conduct, which a liability and obligation was manifested and is obviously unavoidable.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing response and all other motions submitted, has been typed using times new roman 14-point font, and therefore complies with the font requirements of Florida rules of Appellate Procedure 9.210(a)(2).

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